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MOST FREQUENTLY USED

AAALAC	Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International	FDA	US Food & Drug Administration
		FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
ACUP	Animal Care and Use Protocol/ Proposal	IACUC	Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee
APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA	IO	Institutional Official
AV	Attending Veterinarian	NAM	Non-affiliated member
AVMA	American Veterinary Medical Association	NIH	National Institutes of Health
AWA	Animal Welfare Act	OH&S	Occupational health & safety program
AWRs	Animal Welfare Regulations	OLAW	Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, NIH
		PHS	US Public Health Service
		USDA	US Department of Agriculture

COMPLETE LIST

AAA	American Association of Anatomists	ACUC	Animal Care and Use Committee
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AACC/AD	American Association for Clinical Chemistry / Animal Division	ACVB	American College of Veterinary Behaviorists
AACR	American Association of Cancer Research	ACVP	American College of Veterinary Pathologists
AAHA	American Animal Hospital Association	ADA	American Dental Association
AALAS	American Association for Laboratory Animal Science	ADC	Andean Development Corporation
AAMC	Association of American Medical Colleges	AFIP	Armed Forces Institute of Pathology
AASR	American Academy of Surgical Research	AGAH	Animal Health Service (Agricultural Department FAO)
AATA	Animal Air Transport Association	AGRICOLA	USDA's National Agricultural Library's AGRICultural OnLine Access
AAU <i>AAWV</i>	American Association of Universities	AHA	American Heart Association
AAV	Association of Avian Veterinarians	AHA	American Humane Association
AAZP <i>AAZP</i>	American Association of Zoological Veterinarians	AHES	American Humane Education Society
AAZPA → <i>AZA</i>	American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums	AHT	Animal Health Technician
ABS	Animal Behavior Society	ALAT	Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician
AC	Animal Care, APHIS, USDA	ALDF	Animal Legal Defense Fund
ACF	Animal Care Facility	ALF	Animal Liberation Front
ACLAM	American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine	AMA	American Medical Association
ACMAL	Association Canadienne de la Médecine des Animaux de Laboratoire	ANZCCART	Australian and New Zealand Council for the Care of Animals in Research and Teaching
ACP	Animal Care Panel	AORN	Association of Operating Room Nurses
ACS	American Cancer Society	APA	American Pharmaceutical Association
ACS	American Chemical Society	APA	American Psychological Association
ACTAL	Association Canadienne pour la Technologie des Animaux de Laboratoire	APHIS	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA)
		APS	American Pain Society
		APS	American Physical Society
		APS	American Physiological Society
		APV	Associate of Primate Veterinarians

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ARIAV	ASSOC. Reptile + Amphibian Vets		
ARC	American Red Cross	CFBS	Canadian Federation of Biological Sciences
ARC	Animal Research Committee		
ARC	Animal Resource Center	CFD	Computational Fluid Dynamics
ARENA	Applied Research Ethics National Association	CFHS	Canadian Federation of Humane Societies
ARF	Animal Research Facility	CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
ARM	animal rights movement	CIDA	Canadian International Development Agency
ARP	Animal Resources Program		
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air-Conditioning Engineers	CIRA	Center for Information on Research with Animals
ASLAP	American Society of Laboratory Animal Practitioners	CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna
ASM	American Society for Microbiology	CLAW	Center for Laboratory Animal Welfare
ASP	American Society of Primatology	COE	Council on Education
ASR	Academy of Surgical Research	COE	Council of Europe
ATA	Allied Trade Association	COLSALFA	South American Commission for the Control of Foot & Mouth Disease
ATA	Animal Transportation Association		
ATCB	Animal Technician Certification Board	CONASUR	Southern Cone (see MERCOSUR)
ATS	Animal Thoracic Society	CORESA	Committee Regional de Animal Health
AV	Attending Veterinarian	CPIA	Certified IACUC Professional Administrator
AVMA	American Veterinary Medical Association	CRIS	Current Research Information System (USDA NAL)
AVSAB	American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior	CRC	Chemical Rubber Company
AVTE	Association of Veterinary Technicians and Educators	CVMA	Canadian Veterinary Medical Association
AWA	Animal Welfare Act	DHEW	Department of Health, Education and Welfare
AWI	Animal Welfare Institute		
AWIC	Animal Welfare Information Center	DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
AWRs	Animal Welfare Regulations	DOE	Department of Energy
BA	Board on Agriculture	DOI	Department of Interior
BCLAS	Belgian Council for Laboratory Animal Science	DRR	Division of Research Resources
CAAT	Center for the Alternatives for Animal Testing	DRS	Division of Research Services
CABEI	Central American Bank of Economic Integration	DVM	Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
CACM	Central American Common Market	EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
CALAM	Canadian Association for Laboratory Animal Medicine	FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
CALAS	Canadian Association for Laboratory Animal Science	FASEB	Federation of American Societies of Experimental Biology
CAMDA	Center for the Application of Methodology for the Diagnosis of Animal Diseases	FBR	Foundation for Biomedical Research
CARAPHIN	Caribbean Animal & Plant Health Information Network	FDA	Food and Drug Administration
CARICOM	Economic Community of the Caribbean Countries	FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
CBM	Current Bibliographies in Medicine	FR	Federal Register
CCAC	Canadian Council on Animal Care	FTAA	Free Trade Areas for the Americas
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	FWS	Fish and Wildlife Service
CEC	Commission of European Communities	GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
		GICSA	Inter-American Group for the Coordination of Animal Health
		GLP	Good Laboratory Practices Act
		GPO	Government Printing Office
		HEPA	High-Efficiency Particulate Air-Filter
		HSUS	Humane Society of the United States

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HVAC	Heating, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning	LATG	Laboratory Animal Technologist
IAAAM	International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine	LD	Lethal dose
IACUC	Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee	LD50	Lethal dose 50%
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency	MERCOSUR	Southern Cone Common Market
IASP	International Association for the Study of Pain	MRC	Medical Research Council
IATA	International Air Transport Association	MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
IBAR	Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources	MSPCA	Massachusetts Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction & Development	MZCC	Mediterranean Zoonoses Control Center
ICLA	International Committee on Laboratory Animals	NABR	National Association for Biomedical Research
ICLAS	International Council for Laboratory Animal Science	NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
IDB	Inter-American Development Bank	NAL	USDA's National Agricultural Library
IEF	International Equestrian Federation	NAM	Non-affiliated member
IESNA	Illuminating Engineering Society of North America	NARRC	National Advisory Research Resources Council
IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development	NAS	National Academy of Sciences
IICA	Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture	NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
iiFAR	Incurably Ill for Animal Research	NAVA	National Association of Veterinary Technician Assistants
ILAR	Institute for Laboratory Animal Research	NBAC	National Bioethics Advisory Commission
ILRAD	International Laboratory for Research on Animal Diseases	NCI	National Cancer Institute
INPPAZ	Pan-American Institute for Food Protection and Zoonoses	NCRR	National Center for Research Resources
IOM	Institute of Medicine	NCTR	National Center for Toxicological Research
IO	Institutional Official	NEAVS	New England Anti-vivisection Society
IRAC	Interagency Research Animal Committee	NIEHS	National Institute of Environmental Health Safety
IRB	Institutional Review Board	NIH	National Institutes of Health
ISIS	International Species Inventory System	NIOSH	National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health
ISP	International Society of Primatology	NRC	National Research Council
ITCVDR	International Technical Consultation on Veterinary Drug Registration	NSC	National Security Council
JALAS	Japanese Association for Laboratory Animal Science	NSF	National Science Foundation
JICA	Japanese International Cooperation Agency	NTP	National Toxicology Program
JUNAC	Junta del Acuerdo de Cartagena (Andean Program for Animal Health)	NYAS	New York Academy of Sciences
LAM	Laboratory Animal Medicine	OAS	Organization of American States
LAMA	Laboratory Animal Management Association	OAU	Organization for African Unity
LAS	Laboratory Animal Science	OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development
LASA	Laboratory Animal Science Association	OH&SP	Occupational Health & Safety Program
LAT	Laboratory Animal Technician	OIE	Office International des Epizootics
		OIRSA	Organismo Inter-Regional de Sanidad Agropecuaria
		OLAW	Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, NIH
		OMB	Office of Management and Budget
		OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
		OSTP	Office of Science and Technology Policy

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OTA	Office of Technology Assessment	USAMRIID	U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases
PAHO	Pan American Health Organization		
PANAFTOSA	Centro Panamericano de Feibra Aftosa	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
PARC	Pan African Rinderpest Campaign	USAID	United States Agency for International Development
PETA	People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals	USDI	United States Department of the Interior
PHS	Public Health Service	USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
PIC	Primate Information Center	USUHS	Uniform Services University of Health Sciences
PRIM&R	Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research	VA	Veterans Administration
PSIC	Primate Supply Information Clearinghouse	VAMC	Veterans Administration Medical Center
RLATG	Registered Laboratory Animal Technologist	VMD	Veterinary Medical Doctor
SCAW	Scientists Center for Animal Research	WAREC	West Asia Rinderpest Eradication Campaign
SPCA	Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	WAVLD	World Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnostician
SSP	Species Survival Plan	WHO	World Health Organization
TIC	Technical Information Center	WVA	World Veterinary Association
UFAW	Universities Federation for Animal Welfare	ZHA	Zebrafish Husbandry Association
ULAWS	University of London Animal Welfare Society	ZIRC	Zebrafish International Resource Center
UNESCO	United Nations Education, Science and Cultural Organization		

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